

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Bernard Jan APPELMELK, et al.

Appln. No.: CIP Based on PCT/NL97/00449

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner:

For: NOVEL SYNTHETIC PEPTIDES WITH ANTIMICROBIAL
AND ENDOTOXIN NEUTRALIZING PROPERTIES FOR MANAGEMENT
OF THE SEPSIS SYNDROME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title and before the text on page 1, please insert: --This application is a

A Continuation-in-Part of PCT/NL97/00449 filed July 31, 1997. --

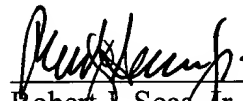
IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 13: line 1, after the word "claim" insert --1--.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are made in order to remove multiple dependencies and avoid the Government surcharge. Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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